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RAW MATERIALS, ENERGY, FOOD, POPULATION PROBLEMS:
THEIR CONSEQUENCES AND JAPAN AND U.S. POLICIES
TOWARD THEM

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ON SUCH NEW WORLD PROBLEMS AS RAW MATERIALS, ENERGY
AND FOOD, THERE EXIST FOLLOWING BASIC FACTORS FOR
CONSIDERATIONS.

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IN ECONOMIC TERMS AND IN POLITICO-ECONOMIC TERMS.

HOW TO ASSESS THEM?

(2) IN U.N.G.A., LDC TENDED TO UNITE IN DEMONSTRATING THEIR CAUSE AND CHALLENGE DC ON ECONOMIC PROBLEMS BY TRYING TO LINK THEM WITH POLITICAL DEMANDS. SUCH INTERNATIONAL ORGAN, HOWEVER, MAY FUNCTION AS A FORUM TO LET LDC MANIFEST, TO SOME EXTENT, THEIR SENSE OF FRUSTRATION.

(3) THE CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS BETWEEN THE NON-RESOURCES PRODUCING COUNTRIES (ESP. MSAC) AND THE RESOURCES-RICH COUNTRIES (E.G OIL PRODUCERS) MAY BECOME MORE EVIDENT.

1. RAW MATERIALS

(1) AS WITNESSED, DURING THE RECENT U.N.G.A. AND IN THE DRAFTING PROCESS OF THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, IT IS LIKELY THAT L.D.C. WILL VOICE MORE AND MORE STRONGLY IN THE FUTURE WITH REGARD TO PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY OVER NATURAL RESOURCES, PRODUCERS CARTEL, ETC. WHAT KIND OF MEASURES CAN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TAKE TO COPE WITH THE SITUATION WITH A VIEW TO STABILIZING WORLD ECONOMY AS A WHOLE?

(2) THERE HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DIVERGENT MOVES IN THE FIELD OF ECONOMIC POLICIES AMONG RESOURCES-RICH AND RESOURCES-POOR DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. WHAT MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN SO AS NOT TO IMPAIR CO-OPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DEVELOPED COUNTRIES?

2. FOOD

(1) HOW TO ORGANIZE THE HARMONIOUS RELATIONS BETWEEN MAJOR GRAIN PRODUCERS (USA, CANADA, ETC.) AND MAJOR IMPORTERS (JAPAN)?

(2) IT IS USEFUL TO ESTABLISH A GLOBAL INFORMATION NETWORK OR AN EARLY WARNING SYSTEM WITH PARTICIPATION OF SOCIALIST COUNTRIES AND L.D.C. WITH A VIEW TO MINIMIZING THE IMPACTS OF FLUCTUATION IN SHORT-TERM SUPPLY AND DEMAND. IN THIS CONNECTION, WHAT FORMULA WOULD SUIT SYSTEM TO HAVE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES' PARTICIPATION?

(3) WHAT KIND OF INTERNATIONAL MEASURES CAN BE TAKEN IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE INCREASED PRODUCTION OF

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FOOD IN LDC SO THAT THE FOOD ASSISTANCE COULD BE GRADUALLY CURTAILED.

(4) WHAT DOES THE U.S. EXPECT TO ATTAIN FROM THE PROPOSED WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE? OUT OF PROBLEMS EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN UP SUCH AS PROSPECT OF DEMAND AND SUPPLY, PRODUCTION, ASSISTANCE, STOCKPILE AND TRADE OFF FOOD, WHAT ARE THE U.S. PRIORITIES?

3. THE ROLE OF THE U.N,
IT MAY DESERVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION, WITH A
VIEW TO MAKING THE ROLE OF THE U.N. MORE CONSTRUCTIVE
AND PRACTICAL, TO STRENGTHEN THE FUNCTION OF ECOSOC
TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE AND MOBILE.
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